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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 20 November 1968

DD/I reported that the communications link to New York became operational yesterday afternoon.

DD/I discussed a memorandum from OER concerning the international money markets and noted that all the markets except Zurich will be closed until Monday.

DD/I noted a cable from Djakarta reporting on Sukarno's badly deteriorating health.

DD/I advised that a press report of a coup in Zanzibar is unconfirmed.

DD/I drew attention to a telegram from our attache in Bucharest indicating that there is no local evidence suggesting an imminent Soviet invasion.

DD/I noted that the Venezuelans seized a Cuban trawler and towed it into port.

*The Director led a discussion concerning the repercussions of the current monetary crisis in Europe, and the DD/I agreed to explore whether OER could undertake a study which might usefully illuminate some of the issues at stake.

D/ONE reported that the representatives meetings have begun on NIE 11-14 and that the Estimate most likely will not be ready for USIB until sometime in December.

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ADD/S announced that the new entrance from Route 193 to West Parking Lot was open for traffic this morning.

Carver indicated that the enemy's attack on Danang yesterday was clever in that the city itself was avoided and only military installations were hit.

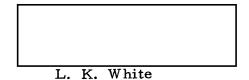
Carver reported that Phil Habib will be in Headquarters today for lunch and discussions.

Maury advised that it appears James Kendall will be William Darden's replacement and that we will have him out for lunch soon.

DD/S&T noted that the Space Panel met yesterday and that their informal consensus was that the Soviets will indeed go for a manned circumlunar shot in December.

The Director announced that the White House Fellows are scheduled for their evening at the Agency on 9 December at 1830. He suggested that an appropriate format might consist of a single presentation by the Executive Director to be followed by a question-and-answer session in which all would participate.

Goodwin drew attention to an article in today's New York Times reporting a three-day protest vigil at Notre Dame against recruiting by CIA and Dow Chemical.



*Extracted and sent to action officer